

Cuba, Carlson

Dear JIB,

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Thanks for your note of the ~~33rd~~ fifth and the envelope. Also in today's mail was a mailing from a friend who is in a desk slot on the Washington Star, sending some stuff from their files on the Watergate Caper. We were in high school together. He is one of those I called on the De Mohrenschildt testimony. Interestingly, the story in the N.O. papers mentions Piedras Negras (not in front, so can be spelled wrong). He was fascinated at the coincidences. This is a bad time for any kind of news. I'll enclose carbon of my letter to him pointing out a few things.

Jim Leary, who has to write about something else, sent me the States stories on the munitions arrests for the 3rd and 4th. 3rd lists names. Now interesting when compared with De M's testimony that Hegler was IRS agent at Eagle Pass and Francisco "Paco" Flores, still missing, is from Piedras Negras!

There is something familiar about the name Carlos Diaz. I'd like to hear it with the matronymic. I have cards on a number of Diaz', but not this one. One, who used aliases, was a "Cuban Power" nut, caught in Fla.

Interesting omissions: source Diaz letters credit; why when they were on trail, Diaz seems to have escaped and he is the money-man, the center of the scheme. And \$465,000 is still a lot of money.

Some of the comments attributed to principals in second S-I story 7/4 interesting. If Harper is Bell's friend, he is also friend of the mob-man Kessler, partner of the mob-man Gambino, and he lends his plane without discrimination. Not only to Bell, to mob people, who leave it far away. Why have a plane?

And why should Seal say, "All I need is a number of Cubans looking for me." Why, even if he was in on it, as he claims not, should any Cubans be looking for him if he did nothing?

Best, BW